

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE RUSH VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON MAY 25, 2016 AT THE RUSH VALLEY TOWN HALL, 52 SOUTH PARK
STREET, RUSH VALLEY, UTAH. THE MEETING BEGAN AT 7:04 P.M.

Mayor and Council Members Present: Mayor Johnson, Council Members Dana Gardner, Alan Anderton, ** Pete Albrecht and William Harding.

Appointed Officers and Employees Present: Attorney Joel Linares, Amie Russell and Lacey Burrows

REGULAR AGENDA:

1. Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call. Mayor Johnson, Dana Gardner, Alan Anderton, William Harding. Pete Albrecht was excused.

2. Approval of meeting minutes for 04-27-16. Dana Gardner made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as written. Alan Anderton seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

3. Consideration of Increasing Building Permit Fees. Mayor Johnson commented he talked with Doug Kinsman and Doug wants to come out and talk with the council regarding the fee schedule. They are recommending a flat fee of \$75.00 for agricultural buildings. In the past there hasn't been a fee for agricultural buildings. Half of this fee will go to Ensign Engineering and other will remain with the town. This will help compensate for some of the time involved with this type of permit. Doug Kinsman wanted to talk with the council about the building permits and the calculation of the fee schedule. For example a home that is going to be approximately \$250,000.00 in construction costs will be around \$4,000.00 – \$5,000.00. Right now it has been about \$2,000.00. This will bring the town to be competitive with surrounding areas. It is estimated some of this money will be coming to the town. In the past the fees were received and the engineer was paid and the town kept very little, if any of the fees. The fee mentioned is for review of the plan and issue of the permit. The required inspections would be an estimated \$95.00 per inspection. It is anticipated the town will not receive anything back on the inspection fees. Mayor Johnson commented Doug Kinsman would like to be on the agenda for the next meeting either in June or July. Mayor Johnson asked Attorney Linares if a resolution would be required to increase the fees. Attorney Linares responded yes, he can prepare the resolution with the proposed fees when the Mayor receives this information. Dana Gardner made a motion to table this item. William Harding seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

4. Adoption of Tentative 2016-2017 Budget and set public hearing on proposed budget. All council members were given a copy of the Tentative 2016-2017. Mayor Johnson commented the new budget was determined based on the numbers from last year and past history. Dana Gardner asked what the revenue from Tooele County was. Mayor Johnson commented this the distributions received from Tooele County and they are listed the same way the county titles them on the deposit sheet the town receives and they are mostly small dollar amounts. The 2015 Circuit Breaker is a new payment that was added this year, it may be a one-time distribution. The General Sales and Use Tax comes from the State of Utah. One struggle this year is the Fire Department revenue which was much lower in 2015-2016 than it has been in the past. Mayor Johnson also reviewed the tentative budgets for each department for 2016-2017. Fire Department \$10,000.00, this doesn't include the fire truck lease. Roads \$65,000.00. Parks \$10,000.00. There is a grant coming in for \$4,500.00 for the Parks Department. This will be used in the 2016-2017 budget year. Cemetery \$4,000.00. Any numbers in red are where the numbers exceeded the adopted budgeted amount. There may need to be some money pulled from the capital improvement fund to make the some of the fire truck payment. This will be discussed in the June meeting. William Harding made a motion to adopt the tentative budget as presented. Alan Anderton seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

5. Consideration of setting special Town Council Meeting for June 2016 and cancelling regular June meeting to comply with requirements to adopt budget. The 2016-2017 Budget needs to be adopted by June 22. The cutoff for the receipt of bids for the RFP for the Roads work is June 14 at 5:00 pm. We are trying to coordinate the June meeting so the bids can be opened with Attorney Linares present. Dana Gardner made a motion to have the Special Town Council Meeting on Tuesday, June 14th at 6:00 pm. Alan Anderton seconded the meeting. All present voted in favor and the motion carried. Mayor Johnson made a motion to cancel the regular June 22, Town Council Meeting. William Harding seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

6. Consideration of Payment by Town of Rush Valley for EMT Advanced Class – Abrea Katris. Chief Kevin Russell commented this item can be removed from the agenda, plans have changed – there was no action taken on this item. Mayor Johnson commented this is an option for those who want to receive training to help serve the community.

7. Consideration to Purchase Tires for Roads Department Truck. William Harding reported he obtained two quotes for 16.5 inch tires. Big O Tires quoted \$1,120.00 for four tires. Les Schwab quoted 16 inch wheel rims and 4 tires for \$972.60. William Harding made a motion to accept the bid from Les Schwab which includes rims for the tires. Alan Anderton seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

8. Sherriff's Report. - Mayor Johnson commented this was the first time he hadn't had a follow-up there wouldn't be a representative this month. Mayor Johnson further commented he appreciates the support Sherriff Wimmer give the town.

9. Fire Department Report – Chief Russell commented the department is getting ready for wildland fire season. The battery was replaced on the Rhino. In June all apparatus are due for safety inspections. Chief Russell contacted Marilyn Gillette regarding two trucks that are still on the county's books. Marilyn will transfer these trucks to Rush Valley Town. Chief Russell commented he received a survey to update with the response area, he would like the attorney to review this information before submitting it. He also received the ISO rating packet to complete and return with training records and number of volunteers that responded to the most recent structure fire. May 31 is last day for open burning. BLM will be doing some controlled burns south of town all week. Chief Russell also commented he has received certificates for those who completed the Driving Simulator Training. He further reported Codee Bolinder was hired by Mountain West Medical and now there are two paid employees to run on the ambulance. DeAnne Evans and Codee Bolinder are the two paid employees. Rodger Evans is also considered an employee as a driver. Chief Russell also commented he has heard Vernon may be interested in the Pierce truck. Attorney Linares will check into this when he attends Vernon's next meeting. Mayor Johnson feels that the town puts forth a lot of effort towards fire suppression and the fire department for the benefit of the town.

**** 7:38** – Pete Albrecht arrived at the meeting.

10. Council Reports.

Cemetery – Alan Anderton reported the Cemeteries are ready for Memorial Day. He has received comments on how nice they look. Alan also commented he has some receipts to turn in to Amie Russell.

Roads – William Harding reported the contract is signed and in place for the crack seal work to be done and will start soon. The contractor hasn't told him when they intend to start the work. The RFP has been published for Russell Lane work. The bids will be opened at the June meeting. He has been mowing weeds. William commented how nice the parks, ball field and town hall grounds look.

Pete Albrecht thanked William for mowing behind the fire station, it looks really nice.

Parks – Dana Gardner reported he received a letter from Tooele County Recreation Special Service District stating the Parks Department was awarded a grant of \$4,500.00 to use toward the purchase of a new lawn mower. Dana commented he will wait until July to make the purchase. He also reported he had park equipment maintenance/service done, the invoice was given to Amie. One of the mowers will need a new motor a new motor is estimated to cost \$600.00. He intends to look for a used motor. Affordable Lawn Care still has some work to complete, this has been delayed due to rain so he hasn't received an invoice for this work as of today. Weston Jensen put a big float on the pipe for the water tank. Dana commented he would like to see in the future an increase of volume in that tank and another tank. He appreciates all of Dean Alder's services on the parks and town hall grounds. He has received many comments of how nice it looks. Mayor Johnson also thanked Dana for all his work, it doesn't go unnoticed. Dana also thanked William for mowing weeds around the ballfield.

Mayor Johnson reported the SITLA Public Hearing went very well. There was a lot of support from residents and he appreciated the efforts of the residents to attend the hearing. There were over 185 signatures on the protest and the Mayor spoke on behalf of those who signed the protest. He also appreciated the support of surrounding areas – Tooele, Grantsville, Vernon and Stockton. There was a lot of good discussion and factual information was presented. Now we wait to hear what the state engineer decides, it is in his hands now.

11. Safety Topic. William Harding presented the safety topic on motorcycle safety. Most motorcycle crashes are due to lack of basic riding skills. Failure to use proper precautions while riding, braking, following the speed limit and proper cornering skills. Almost half of all fatal single motorcycle crashes involve alcohol. Operating a motorcycle requires more coordination skills.

12. Payment of Bills. Dana Gardner made a motion to pay the bills as written. Alan Anderton seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

13. Public Comments. No public comments were offered.

14. Closed Session for the Discussion of the Sale of Real Property. Pete Albrecht make a motion to move to the closed session for the discussion of the Sale of Real Property. William Harding seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

William Harding made a motion to reopen the regular town meeting. Alan Anderton seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

15. Adjourn. William Harding make a motion to adjourn the meeting. Pete Albrecht seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.